House Resolution No. 4625

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to acknowledge milestone events in the histories of Show-Me State churches that admirably enhance the quality of life in local communities and neighborhoods through excellent worship and educational programming; and

Whereas, Living Waters Community Church in Nixa, Missouri, was founded in 1997 when pastor Mark J. Arnold, his wife Jackie, and their four children moved to Nixa in order to reach spiritually searching people in southwest Missouri; and

Whereas, on Sunday, September 9, 2007, Living Waters Community Church will hold special observances in light of its Ten Years in operation as a loving and serving church where people from all walks of life can connect with the living God; and

Whereas, pastor Mark Arnold arrived in Nixa with more than seventeen years of experience on the staff of traditional and progressive churches; and

Whereas, pastor Mark Arnold felt led to begin a new church that would enthusiastically and intentionally focus on the non-church-going community in Nixa and its environs; and

Whereas, Living Waters Community Church first held informal Bible study and small group worship beginning in late 1997 in the chapel area of the newly constructed Adams Funeral Home, thanks to the generosity of the business owners; and

Whereas, in August 1998, Living Waters Community Church leased an office suite and former daycare center for use as an office, educational space, and worship area to meet the needs of its growing membership and enhanced program of events; and

Whereas, continued growth at Living Waters Community Church led to a move to its current location, the addition of more educational facilities in the year 2000, and even more involvement in a host of community-oriented service organizations and events:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the history, goals, and accomplishments associated with Living Waters Community Church and to convey to all of those involved this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes as they celebrate the Tenth Anniversary of the founding of their religious institution; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Living Waters Community Church in Nixa, Missouri.

Offered by _

Representative Jay Wasson District No. 141

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4625, adopted September 4, 2007.